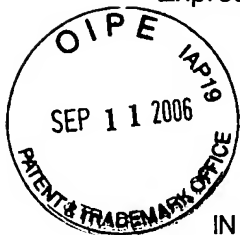


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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Yamazaki *et al.*

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Petition for 1-Month Extension of Time

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Sir:

Applicant petitions for a 1-Month Extension of Time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action dated May 9, 2006, extending the period for response to September 9, 2006, which fell on a Saturday, thus extending the period for response to the following business day, Monday, September 11, 2006.

- ☒ Fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)): ☒ Small Entity: \$60.00
- ☒ Enclosed is a check including the above amount due.
- ☒ Applicant petitions for an additional Extension of Time if necessary for timely filing of this petition and enclosures.
- ☒ Please charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment for timely consideration of this paper to Deposit Account No. 50-2207.

Respectfully submitted,

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